### UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

In re:					
Joseph G. DuMouchelle and Melinda	Chapter 7				
J. Adducci	Case No. 19-54531				
Debtors.	Honorable Phillip J. Shefferly				
Deutois.	/				
Teodor Gelov					
Plaintiff,					
v.					
Joseph G. DuMouchelle and Melinda J. Adducci	Adversary Pro. No				
Defendants.	,				
	/				

# COMPLAINT TO DETERMINE NONDISCHARGEABILITY OF INDEBTEDNESS UNDER 11 U.S.C. § 523

Plaintiff Teodor Gelov ("<u>Plaintiff</u>"), by and through his attorneys, Jaffe, Raitt, Heuer & Weiss, P.C., brings this Complaint to Determine Nondischargeability of Indebtedness Under 11 U.S.C. § 523 (the "<u>Complaint</u>") against Joseph G. DuMouchelle ("<u>Joseph</u>") and Melinda J. Adducci ("<u>Melinda</u>") (Joseph and Melinda are collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>") and in support thereof, states as follows:

#### **Preliminary Statement**

1. This Complaint seeks a determination that certain debts owed to Plaintiff by Debtors is non-dischargeable in the above-captioned bankruptcy case pursuant to section 523 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

#### **Jurisdiction**

- 2. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this Complaint pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157(b)(1) and 1334(b).
- 3. Venue is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.
  - 4. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2).

### **Background**

- 5. Plaintiff is an individual who conducts business in Hamilton County, Indiana.
- 6. Joseph is an individual who previously conducted business at 251 E. Merrill Street, Suite 236, Birmingham, Oakland County, Michigan.
- 7. Melinda is an individual who previously conducted business at 251 E. Merrill Street, Suite 236, Birmingham, Oakland County, Michigan.
- 8. Joseph DuMouchelle Fine & Estate Jewellers, LLC ("<u>DuMouchelle</u> <u>Jewellers</u>") is a Michigan limited liability company which previously conducted

business at 251 E. Merrill Street, Suite 236, Birmingham, Oakland County, Michigan.

9. Joseph, Melinda, and DuMouchelle Jewellers shall be collectively referred to as "Borrowers".

#### **General Allegations**

# The Note: Overview, Events of Default and Defendants' Failure to Remit the "Repayment"

- 10. On or about August 3, 2018, Borrowers each executed the Note (Exhibit 1).
- 11. The Note is governed by, construed under, and enforced pursuant to the laws of the State of Indiana, without reference to choice of laws principles.
- 12. Pursuant to the Note, Borrowers promised to pay Plaintiff One Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$1,800,000.00) (the "Funds"), along with a guaranteed rate of return of 20%, or Three Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$360,000.00) (the "Guaranteed Return").
- 13. Pursuant to the terms of the Note, Borrowers were required to remit the Funds and the Guaranteed Return (collectively, the "Repayment") to Plaintiff, by February 28, 2019.
- 14. Defendants further agreed to pay Plaintiff "a late payment charge of 1 percent (1.0%) of the amount of any payment not paid within twenty (20) days

after the date when due"—February 28, 2019 (the "Late Charge"). The Late Charge is equal to \$21,600.00.

- 15. The Note further states, in part, that if the "Note is not fully paid at maturity (including all additions and late payment charges . . .) . . . the Repayment shall earn interest, and shall be payable on demand, at the maximum rate allowed by law."
  - 16. To date, Borrowers have failed to remit the Repayment to Plaintiff.
- 17. Under the Note, Borrowers "shall be responsible for all costs and expenses, including court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees (whether or not suit is filed, and if suit is filed, all those costs and expenses incurred in any primary and appellate proceedings), incurred by Note Holder as a result of any default by [Borrowers] under the terms of this Note and in connection with the collection of this Note."

### The Note: Restrictions on Use and Title to the "Property"

- 18. Pursuant to the Note, Borrowers agreed
- ... that the Funds shall be used solely for the purchase of those items of jewelry specifically identified in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein, as may be amended in writing and signed by both parties (the "Property"). The Funds shall be used for no other purpose and shall not be intermingled with any other monies or funds except for the express purpose of consummating a purchase of the Property. Once purchased the Property shall be in the name of one or more of the Borrowers, and no other entity shall have any ownership right in the Property until the Property is sold by Borrowers.

19. The Property listed in Exhibit A to the Note consists of 16 items of jewelry.

#### The Note: Plaintiff's Right to Information, Including an Accounting

- 20. Pursuant to the Note, Borrowers were required to "update Note Holder on the progress towards purchase of the Property, the terms and documentation of purchase of the Property, location of the Property and all details of eventual sale of the Property by Borrowers."
- 21. Moreover, "Borrowers shall timely respond to information requests from Note Holder who is entitled to copies of all documents, correspondence and accounting regarding the Property."

#### The Note: Plaintiff's Security Interest

22. Pursuant to the Note, Borrowers represented

that once the Property has been purchased no other entity shall have a security interest in the Property other than Note Holder. If available to Note Holder under applicable law and at Note Holder's sole discretion, Note Holder shall have the right to file, record, perfect or otherwise secure a security interest or lien on the Property. Borrowers shall cooperate and execute any required documentation to effect a recording of the same.

23. Consistent with the foregoing provision, Plaintiff properly recorded UCC Financing Statements concerning the Property, which state, in part, that they cover "The items of jewelry identified on Exhibit A attached hereto, together with all proceeds, products and accounts related to the same" (Exhibit 2).

#### Borrowers' Acquisition and Subsequent Sale of the Property

- 24. On or about October 30, 2018, Plaintiff and Joseph had a telephone call regarding the alleged purchase of the Property identified in Exhibit A to the Note.
- 25. During the telephone call, Joseph falsely stated that he had purchased each item of Property identified in Exhibit A to the Note.
- 26. Following that telephone call, in an email dated October 31, 2018, Joseph sent to Plaintiff "the first group of photos", which were represented to be seven of the items identified in Exhibit A to the Note that had been falsely stated to have been purchased (the "October 31 Email") (Exhibit 3).
- 27. In the October 31 Email, Joseph wrote, in part, that he "will send the balance [of the images] as they come in. I will also follow up with you early next week to go over the details of the auction."
- 28. In November, 2018, Plaintiff and Joseph again spoke by telephone concerning the allegedly upcoming auction of the Property.
- 29. In an email dated November 21, 2018 (the "November 21 Email"), Joseph wrote the following to Plaintiff:

Hi Ted,

It was great speaking with you this week. Per our call I will follow up with you later next week as we get closer to the auction date. I attached the info for the larger 77ct vivid yellow diamond and flawless pink diamond that I

mentioned. They're so rare and we're hoping to have them for the December auction too.

Take care. I will speak with you later next week.

Happy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

Joe

#### (Exhibit 4).

- 30. Two "Joseph DuMouchelle" "November 2018 PROPOSAL[S]" were attached to the November 21 Email. Debtors are in possession of the "November 2018 PROPOSAL[S]".
- 31. Subsequently, Joseph falsely stated to Plaintiff, including through written correspondence dated December 21, 2018, that 15 items of the Property had sold at auction in or around December 2018, with the purchase price and sale price of each specified, totaling almost \$6,000,000 in sale proceeds (Exhibit 5).
- 32. On or about March 2, 2019, Joseph texted Plaintiff a falsified screenshot of a Bank of America account wherein the sale proceeds of the auctioned Property were purportedly deposited (**Exhibit 6**).
- 33. Joseph further falsely advised Plaintiff that pending an accounting, remittance of the Repayment would be made to Plaintiff.
- 34. Debtors have failed to remit any portion of the Repayment to Plaintiff due under the Note.

#### Plaintiff's Demand Upon and Notice to Debtors

- 35. The Note states, in part, that Borrowers "waive notice of acceptance of this Note, notice of the occurrence of any default hereunder or under any instrument securing this Note and presentment, demand, protest, . . . and notices of any and all action at any time taken or omitted by the Note Holder in connection with this Note or any instrument securing this Note."
- 36. Nevertheless, on or about March 15, 2019, Plaintiff, through counsel, provided Borrowers with notice of default under the Note, demand for immediate remittance of the Repayment, demand for the delivery of any unsold Property, and a demand for an accounting of the proceeds from the sale of the auctioned Property (the "Demand and Notice") (Exhibit 7).
- 37. Borrowers failed to respond to the Demand and Notice, much less comply with the demands made therein.

### Misrepresentations Regarding the Property Sale Proceeds

- 38. In a remarkable phone call on March 7, 2019, between Plaintiff and Debtors, Debtors reaffirmed that all of the Property had been sold and all of the proceeds had been collected, but that banking policies precluded the transfer of funds to Plaintiff.
  - 39. Most of this conversation was led by Melinda.

- 40. In fact, no Property had ever been purchased with the proceeds of the Note and no Property had otherwise been acquired, no Property had been sold at auction and no proceeds of Property sales, in fact, had been collected.
- 41. The "blame the banks" discussion was a complete fabrication of the Debtors.

#### The Send Money-Confirmation

- 42. Plaintiff initiated suit against Borrowers in the Oakland County Circuit Court, Case No. 2019-172619-CK, on March 19, 2019 (the "Oakland County Action").
- 43. In the Oakland County Action, Plaintiff sought judgment against Borrowers under the Note, as well as possession of the Property.
- 44. Also in the Oakland County Action, on March 19, 2019, Plaintiff filed a Verified Motion for Possession Pending Final Judgment ("Verified Motion") related to the Property and any proceeds realized from its sale.
- 45. On April 10, 2019, counsel for Borrowers appeared before the Court for a hearing on the Verified Motion, wherein they defended on the basis that \$600,000 of Property proceeds would be immediately wired to counsel for Borrowers' client trust account.
- 46. Based on this representation, the Court's ruling on the Verified Motion was memorialized in its April 11, 2019 Order Regarding: (1) Plaintiff's

Verified Motion for Possession Pending Final Judgment, and (2) the Court's Order to Appear and Answer Verified Motion (the "Wire Transfer Order") (Exhibit 8) which, among other things, stated:

Defendants shall wire all monies—approximately \$600,000.00—currently on deposit in the Wells Fargo account to the Butzel Long PC Client Trust Account (the "Wire Transfer") by Friday, April 12, 2019 at 5:00 pm EDT (the "Appointed Time"). If, for any reason, the Wire Transfer is not completed by the Appointed time (sic), Defendants shall provide documentation to the Court and to Plaintiff detailing the reasons(s) why.

- 47. When the \$600,000 wire transfer was not made by Friday, April 12, 2019, Plaintiff filed a Motion for Order to Show Cause Why Defendants Should Not Be Held in Contempt for Failing to Comply with the Court's April 11, 2019 Order ("Show Cause Motion").
- 48. On April 24, 2019, the Court held a hearing on, among other things, Plaintiff's Show Cause Motion.
- 49. Just prior to going on the record, counsel for Borrowers presented counsel for Plaintiff and the Court with a document entitled "Send Money-Confirmation," which had been provided to Borrowers' counsel by Debtors (the "Send Money-Confirmation") (Exhibit 9).
- 50. The "Send Money-Confirmation" was a fraudulent document on its face.

- 51. Pursuant to the Send Money-Confirmation, April 24, 2019 was the "Expected Delivery Date" for the wire. This date was inconsistent with the wire transfer confirmation date of "4/19/19," five days prior.
- 52. The "Checking Account" number on the face of the "Send Money-Confirmation" consisted of six Xs, the available balance was completely absent, the "Delivery Speed" was inexplicably identified as "Standard" (and not something like "Expedited," even though the Wire Transfer was due by April 12), the "Confirmation Number" was inexplicably blacked out, and there was a separate, redacted item, which was wholly unidentified.
- 53. Based on the fraudulent "Send Money-Confirmation", the Court entered an order dated April 25, 2019, entitled *Order Regarding: (1) Plaintiff's Motion for Order to Show Cause Why Defendants Should Not Be Held in Contempt for Failing to Comply With the Court's April 11 2019 Order, and (2) Plaintiff's Motion to Shorten Time for Defendants to Respond to Discovery (the "Sanctions Order")* (Exhibit 10).
- 54. In relevant part, the Sanctions Order states: "2. Pursuant to the [Wire Transfer Order], the wire transfer of \$600,000.00 from the Wells Fargo account to the Butzel Long PC ('Butzel') Client Trust Account (the 'Wire Transfer') must be received by Butzel by midnight, April 24, 2019", and "3. If the Wire Transfer is not received by Butzel by midnight, April 24, 2019, Defendants shall pay

\$10,000.00 a day, including weekends and holidays, into the Butzel Client Trust Account until the Wire Transfer is received by Butzel."

- 55. Debtors never complied with the Sanctions Order including completing the Wire Transfer or making payment of the \$10,000 per day sanction (the "\$10,000 Per Day Sanction").
- 56. The Wells Fargo account to which the Send Money-Confirmation related, was opened with \$100.00 of cash on December 19, 2018 (Exhibit 11).
- 57. During the month of April, 2019, the month of the alleged Send Money-Confirmation, the account ranged from a zero balance to a balance of negative one cent, with no deposits and no withdrawals during that month:

Withdrawals/Debits	10.0
Deposits/Credits	0.01
Activity summary  Beginning balance on 4/1	\$0.00

Account number: REDA3046

JOSEPH DUMOUCHELLE FINE & ESTATE
JEWELLERS, LLC.

Horide secount ferms and conditions apply
For Direct Deposit use
Routing Number (RTN): 063107513

For Wire Transfers use
Routing Number (RTN): 121000248

- 58. The Send Money-Confirmation was fraudulent.
- 59. Borrowers' on-the-record agreement to wire the \$600,000 was a fraud.
- 60. Borrower's presentation of the Send Money-Confirmation to the Court was a fraud on the Court.

#### Judgment and Plaintiff's Proof of Claim

- 61. Plaintiff obtained a judgment against Debtors pursuant to Plaintiff's *Motion for Partial Summary Judgment* on November 6, 2019. The Judgment was for \$2,862,715.54, which included the Funds of \$1,800,000.00, the Guaranteed Return of \$360,000.00, the Late Charge of \$21,600.00, contractual interest through 9/15/19 of \$409,584.53 and costs and attorneys' fees through 8/31/19 of \$271,961.06 (the "Judgment Amount").
- 62. Plaintiff filed a Proof of Claim, Claim Number 7-1 in Debtors' bankruptcy case on November 25, 2019, in the Judgment Amount, which amount was exclusive of interest from and after 9/15/19, costs and attorneys' fees after 8/31/19 and the \$10,000 Per Day Sanction (collectively the "Non-Dischargeable Amounts").
- 63. By this action, Plaintiff is seeking a judgment determining all of the Non-Dischargeable Amounts to be non-dischargeable.

### Count I - False Pretenses, False Representations and Actual Fraud

- 64. Plaintiff incorporates the provisions of paragraphs 1 through 63 above as if specifically set forth herein.
  - 65. Debtors induced Plaintiff to enter into the Note under false pretenses.
- 66. Debtors had no present or future intent, at the time of entering into the Note, of performing their obligations thereunder.

- 67. Debtors induced Plaintiff to advance the Funds under false pretenses.
- 68. Debtors had no present or future intent, at the time of entering into the Note, of making repayment of the Funds.
- 69. Debtors falsely represented in the Note that the Funds would be utilized to purchase the Property.
- 70. Debtors had no present or future intent, at the time of entering into the Note, of purchasing the Property.
- 71. Debtors falsely represented that the Property had been purchased with the Funds, including sending purported photos of items of Property purchased.
- 72. Debtors falsely represented that additional photos of items of Property purchased would be forwarded.
- 73. Debtors falsely represented that the Property had been scheduled for auction.
- 74. Debtors falsely represented that an auction of the Property had, in fact, been held.
- 75. Debtors falsely represented that all of the Property had been sold at the auction.
- 76. Debtors falsely represented that proceeds from the sale of the Property had been received.
  - 77. Debtors falsely represented that the remaining proceeds from the sale

of the Property were in the process of being collected from the purchasers.

- 78. Debtors falsely set forth, in an email, a listing of the items sold at auction and the actual dollar amounts received for each item at auction.
- 79. Debtors falsely represented that pending an accounting, remittance of the Repayment would be made to Plaintiff.
- 80. Debtors falsely represented that the Repayment had been sent by wire transfer.
- 81. Debtors falsely represented to Plaintiff and the Oakland County Circuit Court Judge that \$600,000 of the Repayment would be wired to Borrowers' counsel's client trust account.
- 82. Debtors falsely represented to Plaintiff and the Oakland County Circuit Court Judge that a wire transfer had been initiated in the amount of \$600,000 to Borrowers' counsel's client trust account.
- 83. Debtors fabricated a false Send Wire-Confirm which falsely represented that a \$600,000 wire transfer to Borrower's counsel had been initiated.
- 84. Debtors falsely represented that there was \$600,000 in their bank account to support the \$600,000 Send Wire-Transfer when, in fact, the account had a zero balance at the time.
- 85. The foregoing actions preclude a discharge of the Repayment and other amounts due to Plaintiff, on the basis that the underlying Note was executed

and the Funds advanced were money, property, services, or an extension, renewal or refinancing of credit obtained by false pretenses, false representations, and actual fraud.

Amounts, on the basis that the underlying Note was executed and the Funds advanced were money, property, services, or an extension, renewal or refinancing of credit obtained by use of a statements in writing that were materially false, respecting Debtors' financial condition, on which Plaintiff reasonably relied and that Debtors caused to be made and/or published with the intent to deceive Plaintiff and the Oakland County Circuit Court Judge.

#### <u>Count II—Fraud or Defalcation While Acting in a Fiduciary Capacity,</u> Embezzlement and Larceny

- 87. Plaintiff incorporates the provisions of paragraphs 1 through 86 above as if specifically set forth herein.
- 88. Under the terms of the Note, Debtors agreed to undertake certain fiduciary duties to Plaintiff, including using the Funds solely to purchase the Property, to sell the Property, to account for and return to Plaintiff the Repayment and to otherwise abide by the duties imposed upon them as fiduciaries under the terms of the Note.
- 89. Debtors breached each and every one of the fiduciary duties imposed on them under the terms of the Note, including, but not limited to, in failing to use

the Funds to purchase any of the Property, in diverting the Funds for their own personal benefit and purpose, in failing to sell the Property, in failing to account for and return to Plaintiff the Repayment and to otherwise abide by the duties imposed upon them as fiduciaries under the terms of the Note.

- 90. Debtors engaged in embezzlement and larceny, in taking the Funds and using them for purposes other than as specified under the terms of the Note, with a present and continuing intent to do so, in order to convert the same for their own personal benefit and purpose.
- 91. The foregoing actions preclude a discharge of the Non-Dischargeable Amounts, on the basis of fraud and defalcation while acting in a fiduciary capacity, embezzlement and larceny.

# Count III—Willful and Malicious Injury to Plaintiff and to Plaintiff's Property

- 92. Plaintiff incorporates the provisions of paragraphs 1 through 91 above as if specifically set forth herein.
  - 93. Debtors' above described acts constitute willful acts.
  - 94. Debtors' above described acts constitute malicious acts.
  - 95. Debtors' above described acts caused willful injury to Plaintiff.
  - 96. Debtors' above described acts caused malicious injury to Plaintiff.
- 97. Debtors' above described acts constituted willful injury to Plaintiff's property.

98. Debtors' above described acts caused malicious injury to Plaintiff's

property.

99. The foregoing actions preclude a discharge of the Non-Dischargeable

Amounts, on the basis of willful and malicious injury to Plaintiff and to Plaintiff's

property.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests that the Court enter an Order:

determining that the Non-Dischargeable Amounts, be deemed non-(i)

dischargeable pursuant to section 523 of the Bankruptcy Code, and (ii) grant

Plaintiff all other relief that it deems appropriate.

Respectfully submitted by:

JAFFE, RAITT, HEUER & WEISS, P.C.

By: /s/ Jay L. Welford

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Dated: March 16, 2020

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#### PROMISSORY NOTE

\$1,800,000.00

Hamilton County, Indiana August 3, 2018

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned, Joseph DuMouchelle, Melinda Adducci-DuMouchelle and Joseph DuMouchelle Fine & Estate Jewellers, LLC (hereinafter referred to collectively as "Borrower"), whose business address is 251 E. Merrill Street, Suite 236, Birmingham, MI 48009, promises to pay to the order of Teodor Gelov (hereinafter referred to as "Note Holder"), the sum of One Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$1,800,000.00) (the "Funds") together with a guaranteed rate of return of 20%, particularly, Three Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$360,000.00), with payment of the entire principal and return by February 28, 2019. The sum of the Funds and the guaranteed return, Two Million One Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$2,160,000.00) shall be referred to as the "Return."

<u>Prepayment.</u> Borrower has the option of prepaying this Note in whole or in part at any time without any prepayment penalty. If this Note is prepaid, the guaranteed rate of return amount Three Hundred Sixty Dollars and Zero Cents (\$360,000.00) shall remain the same and shall not be reduced.

<u>Place of Making.</u> Note Holder is a resident of Hamilton County, Indiana. Borrowers agree this promissory note is entered into in Hamilton County Indiana.

Timing of Essence. Time is of the essence with respect to the payment of this note. Borrower agrees to pay a late payment charge of 1 percent (1.0%) of the amount of any payment not paid within twenty (20) days after the date when due. If this Note is not fully paid at maturity (including all additions and late payment charges accruing under the term herein whether the stated maturity date, by acceleration, or otherwise), the Return shall earn interest, and shall be payable on demand, at the maximum rate allowed by law.

Restrictions on Use and Title. Borrowers agrees that the Funds shall be used solely for the purchase of those items of jewelry specifically identified in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein, as may be amended in writing and signed by both parties (the "Property"). The Funds shall be used for no other purpose and shall not be intermingled with any other monies or funds except for the express purpose of consummating a purchase of the Property. Once purchased the Property shall be in the name of one or more of the Borrowers, and no other entity shall have any ownership right in the Property until the Property is sold by Borrowers.

<u>Information Rights.</u> Borrowers shall update Note Holder on the progress towards purchase of the Property, the terms and documentation of purchase of the Property, location of the Property and all details of eventual sale of the Property by Borrowers. Borrowers shall timely respond to information requests from Note Holder who is entitled to have copies of all documents, correspondence and accounting regarding the Property.

Consent and Waiver. Borrower does hereby:

a. agree that no course of dealing or delay or omission or forbearance on the part of the Note Holder in exercising or enforcing any of its rights or remedies shall impair or be prejudicial to any of Note Holder's rights and remedies hereunder or to the enforcement hereof and that the Note Holder may extend, modify or postpone the time and manner of payment and performance of this Note without thereby releasing, discharging or diminishing its rights and remedies against any Borrower.

b. waive notice of acceptance of this Note, notice of the occurrence of any default hereunder or under any instrument securing this Note and presentment, demand, protest, notice of dishonor and notice of protest and notices of any and all action at any time taken or omitted by the Note Holder in connection with this Note or any instrument securing this Note.

Events of Default. Failure of Borrower to pay any principal, interest or any other sums required hereunder when due or Borrower's breach of any terms under this Note shall constitute a default hereunder as of the date said sum was due.

Security Interest. Borrower represents that once the Property has been purchased no other entity shall have a security interest in the Property other than Note Holder. If available to Note Holder under applicable law and at Note Holder's sole discretion, Note Holder shall have the right to file, record, perfect or otherwise secure a security interest or lien on the Property. Borrowers shall cooperate and execute any required documentation to effect a recording of the same.

Right of Acceleration. Upon the occurrence as to Borrower of any of the following events, Note Holder, at his sole election, may declare all or any portion of the principal of and return on the Note to be immediately due and payable, and may proceed at once and without further notice to enforce this Note, in accordance with its terms: (1) failure to pay any amount due on the Note when due; (2) voluntary or involuntary application for, or appointment of a receiver for any Borrower; filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition by or against any Borrower under any bankruptcy laws or amendments thereto; and (3) default in the performance of any of the terms and conditions set forth in this Note. Borrower further agrees that failure of Note Holder to exercise this right of accelerating the debt maturity shall in no event be considered as a waiver of such right of acceleration or estop Note Holder from exercising such right.

Return Rate. In no event shall the amount of return due or payable under this Note exceed the maximum rate of interest allowed by applicable law, as amended from time to time. If any payment of interest or in the nature of interest would, under applicable law, cause a violation of the foregoing interest rate restriction, then the excess payment shall be credited as a payment of principal, unless Borrower notifies the Note Holder that the Borrower requests to have the excess payment returned to Borrower.

Notices. All notices, demands and other communications required or permitted in connection with this Note shall be writing and shall be deemed to have been given when delivered or sent by first-class, postage prepaid, certified mail, with return receipt requested and addressed as follows, or at such other address as the parties may designate to each other in writing:

Borrower:
Toseph DuMouchelle, Melinda Adducci-DuMouchelle and Joseph DuMouchelle Fine &
Estate Jewellers, LLĆ
251 E. Merrill Street, Suite 236
Birmingham, MI 48009
A. C.

Note Holder: Teodor Gelov 2290 West 136<sup>th</sup> Street Carmel, IN 46032 Attorneys Fees. Borrower shall be responsible for all costs and expenses, including court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees (whether or not suit is filed, and if suit is filed, all those costs and expenses incurred in any primary and appellate proceedings), incurred by Note Holder as a result of any default by Borrower under the terms of this Note and in connection with the collection of this Note..

Governing Law and Jurisdiction. This Note shall be governed by, and construed and enforced under the laws of the State of Indiana, without reference to choice of law principles. Borrower irrevocably consents and agrees to the jurisdiction and exclusive venue in Hamilton County, Indiana or the federal courts sitting in the Southern District of Indiana with respect to all matters related to this Note and the relationship created by it. The parties hereby expressly waives any right to a trial by jury in any such suit, action or proceeding. Note Holder is allowed to pursue an action in any jurisdiction where the Property or any Borrower is located to effectuate performance or enforcement of this Note or any in rem action.

<u>Headings.</u> The headings of the paragraphs contained in this Note are for convenience of reference only and do not form a part hereof and in no way modify, interpret or construe the meaning of the parties hereto.

<u>Payments</u>. Payments shall be made payable to Note Holder at the address set forth above or such other address or bank wire as Note Holder may provide to Borrower in writing.

BORROWER:

Joseph Du Mouchelle

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Docusigned by:

Melinda Adducci-Du Mouchelle

1E08A67C695D431 by:

Joseph Du Mouchelle Fine & Estate

Jewellers, LL E08A67C695D431...

By:

Joseph Du Mouchelle

Title:

President

#### EXHIBIT A

1.	Cushion cut diamond earrings, 16.00ct total weight, I color, VVS2-SI1	Cost \$250,000
2.		Cost \$400,000
3.	Van Cleef & Arpels diamond bracelet set with 15 emerald cut diamonds across the top	Cost \$300,000
4.	Cartier Art Deco coral and onyx jabot brooch, Circa 1928	Cost \$100,000
5.	Fancy Intense yellow diamond ring, Internally Flawless, 15ct, set with diamonds at sides	Cost \$300,000
6.	Diamond lady's earrings, pair, each 5.01ct, D color, SI1 clarity	Cost \$150,000
7.	Diamond lady's earrings, pair, each 6.02 and 6.17ct, E color, SI1-2 clarity	Cost \$250,000
8.	Harry Winston ruby and diamond necklace, earrings and ring, approx 45.90ct in rubies,	Cost 150,000
	29.00ct in diamonds total weight	
9.	Oval cut diamond lady's earrings, 16.50ct total weight, F color, VS1 clarity	Cost \$600,000
10.	Emerald cut diamond and sapphire ring, 5.45ct emerald cut diamond surrounded by	Cost \$100,000
	blue sapphires and diamonds	
11.	Pear shape diamond ring, approx. 8.42ct pear shape diamond, H color, SI2 clarity	Cost \$110,000
12.	Blue sapphire ring, approx. 7.01ct Burmese sapphire, unheated, set with diamonds at sides	Cost \$70,000
13.	Blue sapphire ring, approx. 8.20ct Burmese sapphire, unheated, set with diamonds at sides	Cost \$65,000
14.	Pear shape diamond lady's ring, central 8.25ct, D color, VVS2 clarity	Cost \$525,000
15.	Sapphire and diamond lady's ring, central sapphire at approx. 8.68ct, Burmese, no heat	Cost \$90,000
16.	Mauboussin diamond lady's bracelet, set with diamonds totaling approx. 52.25ct	Cost \$140,000

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5. Check only if applicable and check only one box: Collateral is hold in a Trust (see UCC1Ad, item 17 and	Instructions)	being administered by a D	ecedeni's Personal Representative
8a. Check only if applicable and check only one box;		6b. Check only if applicable	e and check only one box:
Public-Finance Transaction Manufactured-Home Transaction A Debter is a Transaction	nilding Utility	Agricultum Lien	Non-UCO Filing
7. ALTERNATIVE DESIGNATION (If applicable); Lessee/Lessor Oonsignee/Consignee	Seller/Buy	er Balice/Ballor	Licensee/Licensor
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From: Joseph DuMouchelle [mailto:Joe@JosephDumouchelle.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 31, 2018 11:42 AM To: Ted Gelov < ted.gelov@heartlandfpg.com>

Subject: Photos first group

Hi Ted,

It was good speaking with you yesterday. Per our conversation attached is the first group of photos. I will send the balance as they come in. I will also follow up with you early next week to go over the details of the auction. Please let me know that you have received this email.

Thanks Ted.

Sincerely,

Joe

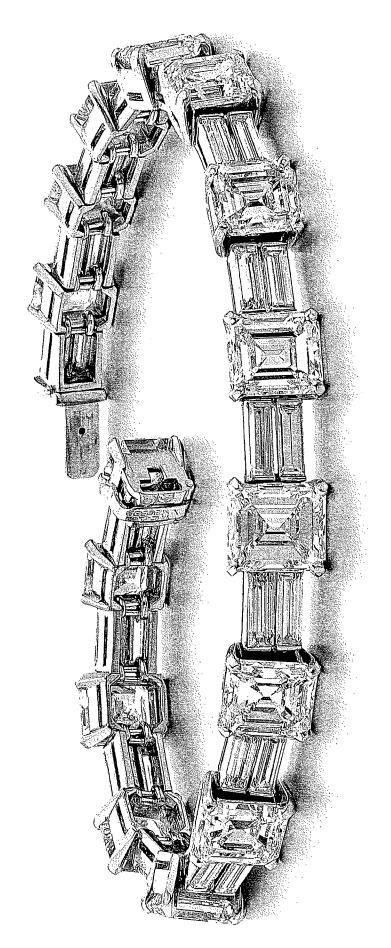
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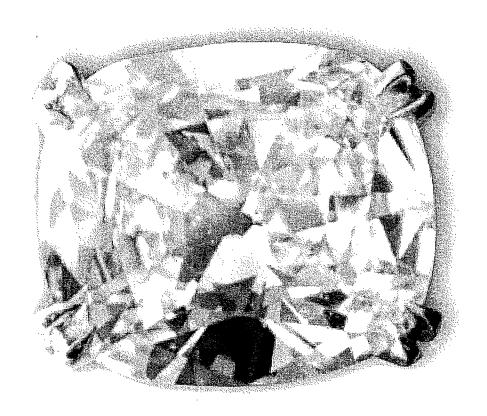
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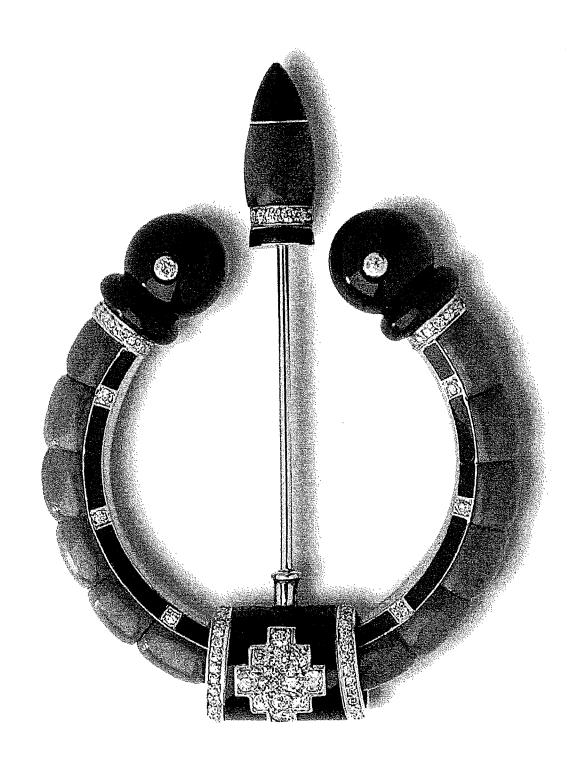
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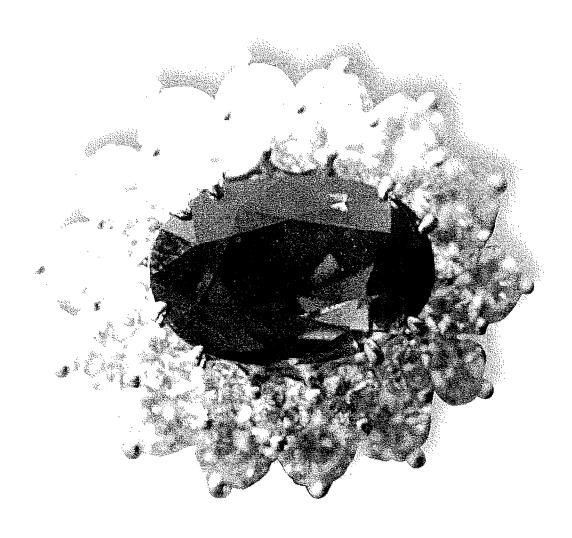






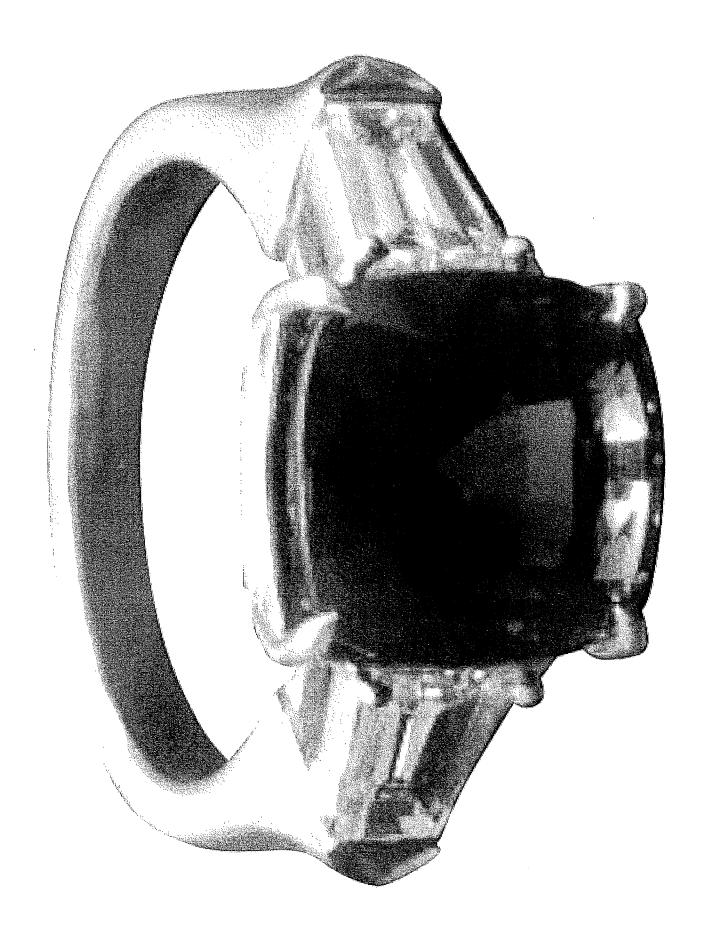
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From: Joseph DuMouchelle [mailto:Joe@JosephDumouchelle.com]

Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 10:20 AM To: Ted Gelov < ted.gelov@heartlandfpg.com>

Subject: Follow up

Hi Ted,

It was great speaking with you this week. Per our call I will follow up with you later next week as we get closer to the auction date. I attached the info for the larger 77ct vivid yellow diamond and flawless pink diamond that I mentioned. They're so rare and we're hoping to have them for the December auction too.

Take care. I will speak with you later next week.

Happy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

Joe

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On Dec 21, 2018, at 9:20 AM, Joseph DuMouchelle < <u>Joe@JosephDumouchelle.com</u>> wrote:

Hi Ted,

It was great speaking with you earlier this week. Below is the listing with results. I will call to confirm you received this.

Thanks Ted.

Sincerely,

Joe

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## Via First Class Mail and Certified Mail

March 15, 2019

Joseph DuMouchelle 251 E. Merrill Street, Suite 236 Birmingham, MI 48009 Melinda Adducci-DuMouchelle 251 E. Merrill Street, Suite 236 Birmingham, MI 48009

Joseph DuMouchelle Fine & Estate Jewellers, LLC 251 E. Merrill Street, Suite 236 Birmingham, MI 48009

Re: Declaration of default/right of acceleration under the Promissory Note dated August 3, 2018 (the "Note"), demand for the "Return" due and owing thereunder, demand for delivery of any "Property" not sold, demand for accounting, and anti-spoliation notice

Dear Mr. DuMouchelle, Ms. Adducci-DuMouchelle, and To Whom It May Concern:

I write this letter on behalf of Mr. Teodor Gelov ("Note Holder") in connection with the above-referenced Note, a copy of which is enclosed for ease of reference. Any capitalized terms used in this letter but not defined shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Note.

Note Holder hereby declares a default and right of acceleration for non-payment under the Note. Further, and without waiving any rights under the Note, Note Holder demands that the Return—which was due not later than February 28, 2019—be remitted to him immediately. Note Holder likewise demands that Borrower deliver to him any Property not sold. Any further failure to remit the Return and deliver any unsold Property will leave Note Holder with no choice but to take any and all appropriate actions to enforce his legal and equitable rights.

Relatedly, based on written and oral communications from Mr. DuMouchelle, Note Holder understands that the Property was sold at auction, and that the proceeds therefrom were transferred to a Bank of America account ending 0585. Mr. DuMouchelle further informed Note Holder that an accounting would be performed and that the Return would be remitted thereafter.

March 15, 2019 Page 2

Regardless, because Borrower has failed to remit the Return, Note Holder hereby demands an accounting as specifically contemplated by the Note.

Further, you are receiving this letter because you possess documents, including electronically-stored information ("ESI") (collectively, "Documents"), relating to the Note, including but not limited to the acquisition and subsequent sale of the Property. You are under a duty to preserve all Documents and other materials which may be relevant. It is incumbent upon you to preserve all relevant Documents, regardless of the form in which they may exist.

Documents subject to this anti-spoliation notice include, without limitation, both paper and electronic documents. By way of example, Documents include letters, contracts, proposals, facsimiles, memoranda, auction information of any kind, notes, spreadsheets, Excel worksheets, graphs, animation, images, email messages and attachments, voicemails, text messages, instant messages, word processing documents, calendar entries, Internet usage files, social and professional networking pages/sites, caches and history files, regardless of whether or where stored, and including storage devices such as network databases, network drives, offline storage, laptops, CD-ROMs, DVDs, flash drives, or similar removable storage media, personal computers, handheld devices (e.g., smartphones, tablets), cameras, mobile phones, USB drives, answering machines, or paging devices, and all drafts of the foregoing.

Likewise, ESI includes, without limitation, all metadata. By way of example, ESI includes such metadata relating to the means and creation of the ESI, the purpose of the ESI, the time and date of creation, the creator and author of the ESI, the placement on a network where the ESI was created, and what technical standards were used to create the ESI.

If there is any doubt, **DO NOT** delete, destroy, or discard Documents which are or may be in any way related to the Note and non-payment thereunder. Be reminded that you are required by law to take these steps. It is important that you adhere to this notice until receiving further instructions.

If you have any questions concerning the foregoing, please contact me immediately.

Sincerely,

JAFFE RAITT HEUER & WEISS,

Professional Corporation

Derek D. McLeod

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Teodor Gelov (via email only)

Mr. Jay L. Welford, Esq. (via email only)

### PROMISSORY NOTE

\$1,800,000.00

Hamilton County, Indiana August 3, 2018

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned, Joseph DuMouchelle, Melinda Adducci-DuMouchelle and Joseph DuMouchelle Fine & Estate Jewellers, LLC (hereinafter referred to collectively as "Borrower"), whose business address is 251 E. Merrill Street, Suite 236, Birmingham, MI 48009, promises to pay to the order of Teodor Gelov (hereinafter referred to as "Note Holder"), the sum of One Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$1,800,000.00) (the "Funds") together with a guaranteed rate of return of 20%, particularly, Three Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$360,000.00), with payment of the entire principal and return by February 28, 2019. The sum of the Funds and the guaranteed return, Two Million One Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$2,160,000.00) shall be referred to as the "Return."

<u>Prepayment.</u> Borrower has the option of prepaying this Note in whole or in part at any time without any prepayment penalty. If this Note is prepaid, the guaranteed rate of return amount Three Hundred Sixty Dollars and Zero Cents (\$360,000.00) shall remain the same and shall not be reduced.

<u>Place of Making.</u> Note Holder is a resident of Hamilton County, Indiana. Borrowers agree this promissory note is entered into in Hamilton County Indiana.

Timing of Essence. Time is of the essence with respect to the payment of this note. Borrower agrees to pay a late payment charge of 1 percent (1.0%) of the amount of any payment not paid within twenty (20) days after the date when due. If this Note is not fully paid at maturity (including all additions and late payment charges accruing under the term herein whether the stated maturity date, by acceleration, or otherwise), the Return shall earn interest, and shall be payable on demand, at the maximum rate allowed by law.

Restrictions on Use and Title. Borrowers agrees that the Funds shall be used solely for the purchase of those items of jewelry specifically identified in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein, as may be amended in writing and signed by both parties (the "Property"). The Funds shall be used for no other purpose and shall not be intermingled with any other monies or funds except for the express purpose of consummating a purchase of the Property. Once purchased the Property shall be in the name of one or more of the Borrowers, and no other entity shall have any ownership right in the Property until the Property is sold by Borrowers.

<u>Information Rights.</u> Borrowers shall update Note Holder on the progress towards purchase of the Property, the terms and documentation of purchase of the Property, location of the Property and all details of eventual sale of the Property by Borrowers. Borrowers shall timely respond to information requests from Note Holder who is entitled to have copies of all documents, correspondence and accounting regarding the Property.

Consent and Waiver. Borrower does hereby:

a. agree that no course of dealing or delay or omission or forbearance on the part of the Note Holder in exercising or enforcing any of its rights or remedies shall impair or be prejudicial to any of Note Holder's rights and remedies hereunder or to the enforcement hereof and that the Note Holder may extend, modify or postpone the time and manner of payment and performance of this Note without thereby releasing, discharging or diminishing its rights and remedies against any Borrower.

b. waive notice of acceptance of this Note, notice of the occurrence of any default hereunder or under any instrument securing this Note and presentment, demand, protest, notice of dishonor and notice of protest and notices of any and all action at any time taken or omitted by the Note Holder in connection with this Note or any instrument securing this Note.

Events of Default. Failure of Borrower to pay any principal, interest or any other sums required hereunder when due or Borrower's breach of any terms under this Note shall constitute a default hereunder as of the date said sum was due.

Security Interest. Borrower represents that once the Property has been purchased no other entity shall have a security interest in the Property other than Note Holder. If available to Note Holder under applicable law and at Note Holder's sole discretion, Note Holder shall have the right to file, record, perfect or otherwise secure a security interest or lien on the Property. Borrowers shall cooperate and execute any required documentation to effect a recording of the same.

Right of Acceleration. Upon the occurrence as to Borrower of any of the following events, Note Holder, at his sole election, may declare all or any portion of the principal of and return on the Note to be immediately due and payable, and may proceed at once and without further notice to enforce this Note, in accordance with its terms: (1) failure to pay any amount due on the Note when due; (2) voluntary or involuntary application for, or appointment of a receiver for any Borrower; filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition by or against any Borrower under any bankruptcy laws or amendments thereto; and (3) default in the performance of any of the terms and conditions set forth in this Note. Borrower further agrees that failure of Note Holder to exercise this right of accelerating the debt maturity shall in no event be considered as a waiver of such right of acceleration or estop Note Holder from exercising such right.

Return Rate. In no event shall the amount of return due or payable under this Note exceed the maximum rate of interest allowed by applicable law, as amended from time to time. If any payment of interest or in the nature of interest would, under applicable law, cause a violation of the foregoing interest rate restriction, then the excess payment shall be credited as a payment of principal, unless Borrower notifies the Note Holder that the Borrower requests to have the excess payment returned to Borrower.

Notices. All notices, demands and other communications required or permitted in connection with this Note shall be writing and shall be deemed to have been given when delivered or sent by first-class, postage prepaid, certified mail, with return receipt requested and addressed as follows, or at such other address as the parties may designate to each other in writing:

Borrower:
Joseph DuMouchelle, Melinda Adducci-DuMouchelle and Joseph DuMouchelle Fine & Estate Jewellers, LLC
251 E. Merrill Street, Suite 236
Birmingham, MI 48009

Note Holder: Teodor Gelov 2290 West 136<sup>th</sup> Street Carmel, IN 46032 Attorneys Fees. Borrower shall be responsible for all costs and expenses, including court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees (whether or not suit is filed, and if suit is filed, all those costs and expenses incurred in any primary and appellate proceedings), incurred by Note Holder as a result of any default by Borrower under the terms of this Note and in connection with the collection of this Note..

Governing Law and Jurisdiction. This Note shall be governed by, and construed and enforced under the laws of the State of Indiana, without reference to choice of law principles. Borrower irrevocably consents and agrees to the jurisdiction and exclusive venue in Hamilton County, Indiana or the federal courts sitting in the Southern District of Indiana with respect to all matters related to this Note and the relationship created by it. The parties hereby expressly waives any right to a trial by jury in any such suit, action or proceeding. Note Holder is allowed to pursue an action in any jurisdiction where the Property or any Borrower is located to effectuate performance or enforcement of this Note or any in rem action.

<u>Headings</u>. The headings of the paragraphs contained in this Note are for convenience of reference only and do not form a part hereof and in no way modify, interpret or construe the meaning of the parties hereto.

<u>Payments</u>. Payments shall be made payable to Note Holder at the address set forth above or such other address or bank wire as Note Holder may provide to Borrower in writing.

BORROWER:

Joseph Du Monchelle

Joseph Du Monchelle

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Docusigned by:

Melinda Adducci-Du Monchelle

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Joseph Du Monchelle

Title: President

## EXHIBIT A

1.	Cusinon out diamond outrings, rolove tour washing a covery	Cost \$250,000
2.	Oval 100 and diamond outsings, 11.0000 total 100,	Cost \$400,000
3.	Van Cleef & Arpels diamond bracelet set with 15 emerald cut diamonds across the top	Cost \$300,000
_4	Cartier Art Deco coral and onyx jabot brooch, Circa 1928	Cost \$100,000
5.	Fancy Intense yellow diamond ring, Internally Flawless, 15ct, set with diamonds at sides	Cost \$300,000
6.	Diamond lady's earrings, pair, each 5.01ct, D color, SI1 clarity	Cost \$150,000
	Diamond lady's earrings, pair, each 6.02 and 6.17ct, E color, SI1-2 clarity	Cost \$250,000
8.	Harry Winston ruby and diamond necklace, earrings and ring, approx 45.90ct in rubies,	Cost 150,000
	29.00ct in diamonds total weight	•
9.	Oval cut diamond lady's earrings, 16.50ct total weight, F color, VS1 clarity	Cost \$600,000
10.	Emerald cut diamond and sapphire ring, 5.45ct emerald cut diamond surrounded by	Cost \$100,000
	blue sapphires and diamonds	
11.		Cost \$110,000
12.	Blue sapphire ring, approx. 7.01ct Burmese sapphire, unheated, set with diamonds at sides	Cost \$70,000
13.	Blue sapphire ring, approx. 8.20ct Burmese sapphire, unheated, set with diamonds at sides	Cost \$65,000
14.	Pear shape diamond lady's ring, central 8.25ct, D color, VVS2 clarity	Cost \$525,000
15.	Sapphire and diamond lady's ring, central sapphire at approx. 8.68ct, Burmese, no heat	Cost \$90,000
16.	Mauboussin diamond lady's bracelet, set with diamonds totaling approx. 52.25ct	Cost \$140,000
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## STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF OAKLAND

TEODOR GELOV, an individual,

Plaintiff,

Case No. 2019-172619-CK

v.

Hon. Hala Jarbou

JOSEPH DUMOUCHELLE, an individual, MELINDA ADDUCCI-DUMOUCHELLE, an individual, and JOSEPH DUMOUCHELLE FINE & ESTATE JEWLLERS, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company,

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## ORDER REGARDING: (1) PLAINTIFF'S VERIFIED MOTION FOR POSSESSION PENDING FINAL JUDGMENT, AND (2) THE COURT'S ORDER TO APPEAR AND ANSWER VERIFIED MOTION

At a session of said Court held in the City of Pontiac, County of Oakland, State of Michigan on 4/11/2019

PRESENT: HON. HALA JARBOU

Circuit Court Judge

UPON THE FILING OF THE Complaint and Verified Motion for Possession Pending

Final Judgment ("Verified Motion") by Plaintiff Teodor Gelov ("Plaintiff"), the Court, on March

20, 2019, entered its Order to Appear and Answer Verified Motion (the "March 20 Status Quo Order").

ON APRIL 3, 2019, following a hearing on the March 20 Status Quo Order, the Court entered its Order Regarding the April 3, 2019 Hearing on the Order to Appear and Answer Verified Motion.

ON APRIL 10, 2019, the Court held a hearing on the Verified Motion and Defendants' response to same;

NOW, THEREFORE, AND FOR THE REASONS STATED ON THE RECORD, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. The Verified Motion is denied without prejudice.
- 2. Defendants shall wire all monies—approximately \$600,000.00—currently on deposit in the Wells Fargo account to the Butzel Long PC Client Trust Account (the "Wire Transfer") by Friday, April 12, 2019 at 5:00 pm EDT (the "Appointed Time"). If, for any reason, the Wire Transfer is not completed by the Appointed Time, Defendants shall provide documentation to the Court and to Plaintiff detailing the reason(s) why.
- 3. Confirmation of the Wire Transfer shall be given to Plaintiff as soon as such information is available.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court's March 20 Status Quo Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Court, except that Defendants are no longer restricted from using the funds in the Bank of America Business Checking Account as more particularly described in Plaintiff's Complaint and Verified Motion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the April 17, 2019 date for Defendants to answer or otherwise respond to Plaintiff's Complaint is adjourned and reset to April 19, 2019.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

/s/ Hala Jarbou

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

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APPROVED AS TO FORM ONLY:

/s/ Derek D. McLeod

Derek D. McLeod (P66229) Attorney for Plaintiff

Date: April 10, 2019

/s/ George B. Donnini (w/ consent)

George B. Donnini (P66793) *Attorney for Defendants* 

Date: April 10, 2019



## Send Money - Confirmation

From Account

CHECKING XXXXXX (Avail. balance =

Send To

**Butzel** Long

Amount

\$600,000.00

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Standard

**Expected Delivery Date** 

04/24/2019

**Confirmation Number** 



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ORDER REGARDING: (1) PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WHY DEFENDANTS SHOULD NOT BE HELD IN CONTEMPT FOR FAILING TO COMPLY WITH THE COURT'S APRIL 11 2019 ORDER, AND (2) PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO SHORTEN TIME FOR DEFENDANTS TO RESPOND TO DISCOVERY

At a session of said Court held in the City of Pontiac, County of Oakland, State of Michigan on 4/25/2019

PRESENT: HON. HALA JARBOU
Circuit Court Judge

ON APRIL 11, 2019, the Court entered its Order Regarding: (1) Plaintiff's Verified Motion for Possession Pending Final Judgment, and (2) the Court's Order to Appear and Answer Verified Motion (the "April 11 Order").

ON APRIL 17, 2019, Plaintiff Teodor Gelov ("Plaintiff") filed his Motion for Order to Show Cause Why Defendants Should Not Be Held in Contempt for Failing to Comply With the Court's April 11, 2019 Order ("Motion for Order to Show Cause").

ALSO ON APRIL 17, 2019, Plaintiff filed his Motion to Shorten Time for Defendants to Respond to Discovery ("Motion to Expedite Discovery Responses", and together with the Motion for Order to Show Cause, "Plaintiff's Motions").

ON APRIL 22, 2019, Defendants filed responses in opposition to Plaintiff's Motions.

ON APRIL 24, 2019, the Court held a hearing on Plaintiff's Motions;

NOW, THEREFORE, AND FOR THE REASONS STATED ON THE RECORD,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. Plaintiff's Motion for Order to Show Cause is granted.
- 2. Pursuant to the April 11 Order, the wire transfer of \$600,000.00 from the Wells Fargo account to the Butzel Long PC ("Butzel") Client Trust Account (the "Wire Transfer") must be received by Butzel by midnight, April 24, 2019.
- 3. If the Wire Transfer is not received by Butzel by midnight, April 24, 2019, Defendants shall pay \$10,000.00 a day, including weekends and holidays, into the Butzel Client Trust Account until the Wire Transfer is received by Butzel.
- 4. Confirmation of Butzel's receipt of the Wire Transfer shall be given to Plaintiff and to the Court as soon as such information is available.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff's Motion to Expedite Discovery Responses is denied.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the status conference scheduled to take place on Wednesday, May 1, 2019, at 10:00 am, is hereby adjourned without date.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

/s/ Hala Jarbou
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE GG

APPROVED AS TO FORM ONLY:

/s/ Derek D. McLeod/s/ George B. Donnini (w/ consent)Derek D. McLeod (P66229)George B. Donnini (P66793)

Attorney for Plaintiff Attorney for Defendants

Date: April 24, 2019 Date: April 24, 2019

## Wells Fargo Business Choice Checking

Account number: 7883228046 \* December 19, 2018 - December 31, 2018 \* Page 1 of 5



JOSEPH DUMOUCHELLE FINE & ESTATE JEWELLERS; LLC. 345 COWRY CT SANIBEL FL 33957-6403

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TTY: 1-800-877-4833 En español: 1-877-337-7454

Online: wellsfargo.com/biz

Write: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (287)

P.O. Box 6995

Portland, OR 97228-6995

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Business Online Banking	
Online Statements	•
Business Bill Pay	
Business Spending Report	
Overdraft Protection	

Activity summary	,
Beginning balance on 12/19	\$0.00
Deposits/Credits	100.00
Withdrawale/Debits	- 100.00
Ending balance on 12/31	\$0.00
Average ledger balance this period	\$61.53

Account number: 20046

JOSEPH DUMOUCHELLE FINE & ESTATE

JEWELLERS, LLC.

Horide account terms and conditions apply

For Direct Deposit use

Routing Number (RTN): 063107513

For Wire Transfers use

Routing Number (RTN): 121000248

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